

114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5759

To amend chapter 2 of title I of the United States Code to establish the style for amending laws.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 13, 2016

Mr. AMASH (for himself, Mr. JONES, Mr. MASSIE, Mr. POLIS, Mr. BRAT, and Mr. HUFFMAN) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Readable Legislation
5 Act of 2016”.

6 **SEC. 2. AMENDING LAWS.**

7 Chapter 2 of title 1 of the United States Code is
8 amended by adding at the end the following new section:

1 **“§ 115. Amending laws**

2 “No section of an Act shall be revised or amended
3 by mere reference to it. Every bill or joint resolution which
4 amends an existing section of any Act shall set forth the
5 entire section, showing the omissions and insertions pro-
6 posed by appropriate typographical devices.”.

7 **SEC. 3. CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**

8 The table of sections at the beginning of chapter 2
9 of title 1 of the United States Code is amended by adding
10 after the item relating to section 114 the following new
11 item:

“115. Amending laws.”.

12 **SEC. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

13 This Act and the amendments made by it shall take
14 effect on January 3, 2017.

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